AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT[21]

Adopted and Filed Emergency

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 162.16, the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship hereby amends Chapter 67, "Animal Welfare," Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendment to rule 67.9(162) updates the publication used to provide guidelines for the euthanasia of animals.

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4(2), the Department finds that notice and public participation are impracticable. Notice and public participation would result in needless delays.

The Department also finds, pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.5(2)"b"(2), that the normal effective date of this amendment, 35 days after publication, should be waived and this amendment should be made effective upon filing with the Administrative Rules Coordinator. This amendment confers a benefit to the public because it allows the updated and more modern guidelines for animal euthanasia to be used.

No waiver provision is included in this amendment.

This amendment became effective on August 15, 2008.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 162.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend rule 21—67.9(162) as follows:

21—67.9(162) Acceptable forms of euthanasia. The euthanasia of all animals kept in facilities regulated under Iowa Code chapter 162 and these rules shall be performed in a manner deemed acceptable by and published in the 1993 Report of the American Veterinary Medical Association Panel on Euthanasia 2007 American Veterinary Medical Association Guidelines on Euthanasia. A copy of this report is on file with the department.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 162.

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